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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

Application Number	10/672,274
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Group Art Unit	3714
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice*, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

X 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a.        Previously submitted

- i.        Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii.        Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii.        Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Currently Submitted

- i. X Amendment/Reply
- ii.        Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii.        Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.        Other \_\_\_\_\_

X 2. Request for Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2007, set to expire on August 23, 2007, be extended by 3 months to expire on November 23, 2007. The \$525 small entity fee is submitted herewith.

